

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, The state of South Dakota is the home of Hazel Tveidt Ronning, and we are richer because Hazel lives among us; and,

Whereas, Birthdays commemorate the first day of our lives, and we celebrate the birthdays of those we love in order to commemorate the joys and sorrows we have shared, the strength we have gained from the obstacles and hardships we have conquered, and the small daily pleasures life offers; and,

Whereas, Hazel Schafer was born on January 15, 1903, in Valley Springs, South Dakota, and is the last survivor of twelve children; and,

Whereas, Hazel was married to Carl Tveidt from 1923 to 1959 until his passing, and was married to Oli Ronning from 1963 to 1979 until his passing; and,

Whereas, Hazel has three children, Carroll, Jerome, and Judy; nine grandchildren; eleven great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren; and,

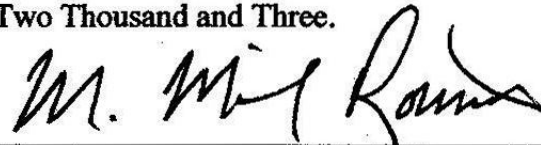
Whereas, Hazel will observe her 100th birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as her friends and relatives gather to honor her and celebrate her life and the camaraderie of the day; and it is fitting and proper for the governor to make note of this milestone in the life of a woman who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim January 15, 2003, as

Hazel Tveidt Ronning Day

in South Dakota, and I join all her many friends and her relatives in wishing her a very happy birthday, good health, and great happiness.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Tenth Day of January in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Three.



M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:



Joyce Hazeltime, Secretary of State

